CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 1.

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1700571.000

Medium: Computer Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 26 October 2017

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 26 October 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file is deemed to be objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The image depicts sexual conduct between a man and a girl. There is no alternate reading of the image other than it is intended for the sexual arousal of people with a predilection for young persons, and it supports the notion that they are legitimate subjects for adult sexual arousal. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification also reflects the concern of New Zealand society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.